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FROM:

RICHARD T. KENNEDY

TO:

BRENT SCOWCROFT

FOR:

SECRETARY KISSINGER

FOLLOWING FOR APPROVAL IS PROPOSED CONDOLENCE MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT NIXON ON DEATH OF PERON. HAS BEEN CLEARED BY GERGEN'S OFFICE. WE WILL SEND TO EMBASSY BUENOS AIRES FOR DELIVERY WHEN YOUR APPROVAL RECEIVED.

ATTACHMENT:

TELEGRAM

TO: BUENOS AIRES

FOLLOWING MESSAGE SHOULD BE DELIVERED TO MRS. PERON FROM

PRESIDENT NIXON

DEAR MADAME PRESIDENT:

IT IS WITH PROFOUND SADNESS THAT MRS. NIXON AND I LEARNED OF THE DEATH OF YOUR HUSBAND, PRESIDENT JUAN DOMINGO PERON. HIS PASSING REPRESENTS A GRIEVOUS LOSS NOT ONLY TO THOSE MILLIONS OF HIS COUNTRYMEN WHO HAILED HIM AS THEIR LEADER, BUT TO ALL THE AMERICAS.

PLEASE ACCEPT ON OUR OWN BEHALF AND THAT OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE OUR SINCERE CONDOLENCES ON YOUR DEEP PERSONAL LOSS AND THAT OF THE GREAT ARGENTINE NATION. WE SEND YOU OUR BEST WISHES AS YOU CARRY ON THE HEAVY RESPONSIBILITIES OF GOVERNMENT WHICH YOU HAVE ASSUMED.

RICHARD NIXON

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